



Trumbull Town Clerk's Office

Monthly Newsletter – February 2010

Suzanne Burr Monaco, Town Clerk
Gloria Murphy and Susan Cole, Assistant Clerks
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Looking for nurses!

Judy Locke, Nursing Director for the Trumbull Public Schools is looking for substitute nurses for schools for the Board of Education. If you are willing to be a substitute school nurse, please contact Judy Locke at 203-452-5090.

Trumbull Public Schools School Vacation

Trumbull Public Schools are on Winter Break from Monday, February 15th through Friday, February 19th. Classes will resume on Monday, February 22nd.

Testing

Capt Testing and CMT's begin the first week in March!

Kindergarten Registration info is on page four.

THE ARTS COMMISSION – February 2010 to May 2010

The Trumbull Arts Commission presents

"And the Oscar Goes to..."

a program of Oscar nominated and winning songs on Friday February 12, 2010 at 7:30 pm at The Center at 23 Priscilla Place.

The program features Michael Jovovich, Dr. Joe Utterbach and friends. Cabaret seating. Doors open at 7pm.

Bring your own refreshments. \$5.00 per person.

For tickets. please call the Arts Commission at 203-452-5065.

Future Events

March 12, Friday, "River City Slim & the Zydeco Hogs"

7:30 pm, Cabaret, Cajun music and lore

April 16, Friday, Val Ramos "Flamenci Ensemble"

7:30 pm Cabaret, singers, dancers, music of Spain

May 7, Friday, "Bellyissima"

7:30 pm, Cabaret, Traditional Belly Dancers

All performances take place at the Center at 23 Priscilla Place in Trumbull.

Pre-purchase of tickets is suggested. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Space is limited. Bring your own refreshments. For additional information contact Emily Areson at 203-452-5065.

Trumbull Police Department - SCUBA Team - Ice Safety Tips

Gauging the strength of ice is very difficult. There is no such thing as 100% safe ice.

Never walk or drive on cloudy ice. Only go on clear thick ice. Spring ice is **NEVER** safe.

The thickness of ice is never consistent- it will be flat on top, but not on the bottom. Snow on ice acts as an insulator- it makes ice warmer and weaker. Extreme cold snaps will weaken the ice.

Ice formed over running water (rivers and streams) is more dangerous than ice formed over standing water (lakes and ponds).

General ice thickness guidelines **NEW CLEAR ICE ONLY**

Less than 2 inches- **STAY OFF!** Ice that is 4 inches and thicker- **probably safe** for walking or ice fishing. Ice that is 5 inches and thicker- **probably safe** for ATV or snowmobile. Ice that is 8 to 12 inches and thicker- probably safe for medium size trucks

Noisy ice doesn't necessarily mean safe ice. It's just the layer of ice shifting and moving on top of the water.

The safety of ice is ever-changing. It depends on the following multitude of factors:

thickness, temperature, snow cover, depth of the water under the ice, size of the body of water under the ice, water chemistry, currents, local climate, and distribution of weight on the ice.

Your most important tool is common sense.

What you need to venture out on the ice: crampons (shoe spikes for walking on the ice), personal flotation device (PFD), throw rope, and a set of ice picks.

Trumbull LibraryNews

One Book - One Town

The inaugural book of the new Trumbull book Club (read and discuss a book with friends) - a choice of a thirty member committee – is *The Selected Works of T. S. Spivet* by Reif Larson. The book is focused on the life of a twelve year old, with drawings throughout. The narrative style captures the energy and brightness of the twelve year old, so the book will appeal to many. A book signing, and lecture are planned along with a cooking class of cowboy cooking. Contact the library for further information.

Thursday Matinee Movies in February “Movies for the Heart”

Feb. 4 - Hearts in Atlantis

A widowed mother and her son change when a mysterious stranger enters their lives. Starring Anthony Hopkins & Hope Davis. 2001. PG-13. 101 min.

Feb. 11 - Young at Heart

Never too old to rock! A foot-stomping documentary on a chorus of senior citizens who sing Jimi Hendrix, Coldplay, Sonic Youth, and other unexpected musicians. 2007. PG-13. 107 min.

Feb. 18 - Music of the Heart

The heartwarming true story of a schoolteacher's struggle to teach violin to inner-city Harlem kids. Starring Meryl Streep. 1999. PG. 124 min

Feb. 25 - Heartbreakers

Comedy. Sexy mother and daughter pairing of Sigourney Weaver and Jennifer Love-Hewitt who basically marry men for their money! Double crosses abound! 2001. PG-13. 123 min.

Other events at the library in February:

- John Lehmann Hauf, solo guitarist concert, Sunday 2/7 2pm
- AARP Driver's Safety program Tues. 2/9 and Wed. 2/10 9:30-1:30
- Healthy Heart Lunch Series Talk with Bridgeport Hospital: What are Arrhythmias and Arterial Fibrillations 2/11 12-1pm
- Advanced Resume – Career Development Workshop Tues. 2/9 9:30
- A Night at the Oscars with CT Post Film Critic, Joe Meyers Tues 2/16 6:30pm
- Dr. Fred Bader, Wed. 2/17 6:30pm
- Business Writing workshop Thurs. 2/18 6:00pm
- Child ID safety event Sat 2/20 12-4
- Author Nancy Goldstone Sun. 2/21 2pm
- How to Fund College without going broke with Mike Dailey Tues. Feb. 23, 6:30pm

Town Phone Directory



First Selectman, Timothy M. Herbst
203-452-5006

Animal Control, Lynn Dellabianca
203-452-5088

Arts Coordinator, Emily Areson
203-452-5065

Building Dept.
203-452-5020

Transfer Station
203-452-5167

Engineering
203-452-5045

Golf Course Superintendent
203-452-5085

Golf Pro Shop
203-261-5989

Health Department
203-452-5184

Highway Garage
203-452-5070
203-452-5071

Librarian, Susan Horton
203-452-5129

Library
203-452-5197

P&Z, Helen Granskog
203-452-5047

Police Chief, Chief Thomas Kiely
(non-emergency)
203-261-3665

POLICE EMERGENCY 911

Probate, The Hon. John Chiota
203-452-5063

Public Works
203-452-5045

Purchasing, Robert Chmini
203-452-5042

Recreation, Mary Markham
203-452-5060

Registrars of Voters, William Holden & Jane Aiello
203-452-5058 and 203-452-5059

Senior Center, Jean Ferreira
203-452-5199

Superintendent of Schools, Ralph Iassogna
203-452-4301

Tax Assessor
203-452-5016

Tax Collector, Mary Moran
203-452- 5024

Town Clerk, Suzanne Burr Monaco
203-452-5037

Trumbull Historical Society
203-377-6620

Zoning Office
203-452-5052

TOWN OF TRUMBULL - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

SNOW PLOWING POLICY

There are approximately 200 miles of streets in Town. Snow removal can cost as much as \$4,000 per hour, therefore, it is important for the Department of Public Works to use its resources wisely, with cooperation from the residents to minimize the cost.

PLOW ROUTES: The streets are plowed and sanded in order of priority. Main (collector) roads are addressed first with special attention to steep hills, and difficult intersections. Side streets are done next, then dead end streets. Side streets may remain unplowed if the main roads require repeated plowing. This may not seem fair to the residents of side streets or dead ends, but main roads must remain open.

BLOCKED DRIVEWAYS: All snow plows angle the same way – to the driver's right – and when going by they will push the snow in front of a driveway. The homeowner is responsible for access to his driveway. The **only way** to avoid extra shoveling is to wait until DPW crews have done their final clean up on the street.

MAILBOX DAMAGE: The Town repairs or replaces only mailboxes and/or posts that are actually struck by a plow blade. Usually a paint mark or truck-tire tracks supply evidence of a mailbox strike. The Town does not repair or replace mailboxes and/or posts that fall from the force of plowed snow. Mailboxes and supporting posts must be installed to withstand the rigors of snow removal, including the force of snow pushed from the street onto the roadside.

PRIVATE PLOWING: The Town of Trumbull prohibits plow contractors from pushing snow from driveways or parking lots onto Town streets. This practice is dangerous and impedes the Town's snow removal efforts. If there is no other alternative to pushing snow into the street, the plow driver must plow off the windrow left across the street by re-plowing until the road is safe and clear. This may not necessarily mean bare pavement, but certainly it should be no worse than when the driver began work.

Residents who feel they have a legitimate complaint should call the Town Garage at 452-5070 or 452-5071.

NOTE: This policy has been in effect for over 25 years.

Recreation – Mary Markham, Director

Adult Open Rec:

18 years and older: Hillcrest Middle School Friday evenings from 7-9 pm through April 23rd

30 years and older: Booth Hill School Thursday evenings 7-10 pm through April 29th

40 + Over the Hill: Jane Ryan School Tuesday & Friday evenings 7-9 through June 4th

Open Rec:

Booth Hill School: Tuesday evenings 7-9 pm through April 27th

Hillcrest Middle School: Saturday and Sunday afternoons 12-3:30 through April 25th

Madison Middle School: Sunday afternoons 12-3:30 through April 25th

Tashua School: Monday evenings 7-9 pm through April 26th
Saturday afternoons 12-3:30 through April 24th

Early Bird Swim:

Monday – Friday 6-7:15 am year round except for holidays

Family swim:

Saturdays 2-3:30 through April 24th

Sundays 1:30-3:30 through April 25th

Thursday evenings 7-8:15 pm through April 29th

Adult Open Swim:

Sunday 12-1:30 through April 25th

Monday and Wednesday 10:45-11:45 am through May 12th

All dates and times subject to change, call the office at 203 452-5060 or listen to WICC.

Monthly newsletters are available in color on-line at the Town Clerk's website.
You can also pick up a hard copy in the Town Hall.

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT 06611
NOTICE TO TRUMBULL PARENTS OF CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN
JANUARY 2, 2005 AND JANUARY 1, 2006

If you expect to enroll your child in a Trumbull Public School Kindergarten for the 2010-11 school year, please contact your respective school. If you are unsure of the school your child should be attending, please contact Central Office at 452-4301.

Kindergarten Registration dates are as follows:

BOOTH HILL, 545 Booth Hill Road (452-4377)

Parent Orientation – March 30, 2010

Registration Dates – April 1, 8, 12, 28 2010

DANIELS FARM, 710 Daniels Farm Road (452-4388)

Parent Orientation – March 30, 2010

Registration Dates – March 31, April 6, 8, 27, 2010

FRENCHTOWN, 30 Frenchtown Road (452-4227)

Parent Orientation – March 31, 2010

Registration Dates – April 6, 13, 15, 27, 29 2010

JANE RYAN, 190 Park Lane (452-4400)

Parent Orientation – March 31, 2010

Registration Dates – April 9, 13, 15, 28, 2010

MIDDLEBROOK, 220 Middlebrook Avenue (452-4411)

Parent Orientation – April 1, 2010

Registration Dates – April 9, 14, 26, 29, 2010

TASHUA, 401 Stonehouse Road (452-4433)

Parent Orientation – April 1, 2010

Registration Dates – April 7, 12, 14, 26, 2010



PLEASE NOTE: REGISTRATION IS BY
APPOINTMENT ONLY. PLEASE CONTACT
SCHOOL FOR MORE INFORMATION.

No Ice is Safe Ice:

- Regardless how well a person can swim, ice cold water can cause severe hypothermia in less than 15 minutes- leaving the person too weak to get out of the cold water.
- Safety on the ice requires preparation and diligence. You should try going on the ice the first time with an experienced person. Before you venture out, learn how to stay safe on the ice.
- Here's how
- Never go on the ice alone. Naturally occurring ice is unpredictable. Make sure you have the proper safety equipment and a buddy.
- Wear appropriate foot wear. Crampons are used to convert foot wear for use on the ice. Some use metal spikes and some use cables- similar to tire chains.
- Carry ice picks at all times. Put them in an accessible pocket where they will be easy to reach while floating in the water.
- Carry a throw rope with you. You can buy one, or make one using an empty and clean plastic jug stuffed with nylon rope.
- Stopping on the ice is extremely difficult. When snowmobiling or driving in low visibility conditions, go slow enough to be able to stop if you see something. Many vehicle accidents happen because the driver couldn't stop by the time he or she saw the hole in the ice.
- Make sure you know how to escape from the ice and that you know how to help someone escape the ice.